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## "AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF STATE LAND."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Section 28 of special act 07-11 is amended to read as
- 4 follows (*Effective from passage*):
- 5 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
- 6 Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to [Derek Viel] the city
- 7 of New Britain a parcel of land located in the city of New Britain, for
- 8 the fair market value of said parcel plus the administrative costs of
- 9 making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of
- 10 approximately 0.06 acre and is identified as Lot 146 on city of New
- Britain Tax Assessor's Map 394. The conveyance shall be subject to the
- 12 approval of the State Properties Review Board.
- 13 (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of

14 the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it

- 15 receives a proposed agreement from the Department of
- 16 Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of
- 17 said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the
- 18 provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver
- 19 any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section.
- 20 The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility
- 21 for all other incidents of such conveyance.
- Sec. 2. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of
- 23 the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey,
- 24 for the fair market value of a defined trail corridor, to the city of
- 25 Danbury an easement over certain parcels of land owned by the
- 26 Department of Transportation and that are further identified as lots G
- 27 22005, G 22006, G 22007, G 21011 and G 21012 by the Danbury Tax
- 28 Assessor. Such easement shall allow for the creation of the Ives Trail
- 29 and Greenway.
- 30 (b) If the city of Danbury does not use such easement for the
- 31 purpose of creating the Ives Trail and Greenway, the parcel shall revert
- 32 to the state of Connecticut.
- 33 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 30 of public act 99-26, as amended
- 34 by section 19 of public act 05-279, is repealed and the following is
- 35 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 36 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
- 37 Commissioner of Children and Families shall convey to the city of
- 38 Middletown two parcels of land, and any improvements upon said
- 39 <u>parcels,</u> located in the city of Middletown, at a cost equal to the fair
- 40 market value of said parcels. [, except that such cost shall be reduced
- 41 by an amount equal to the reasonable cost to the city for demolition
- 42 and disposal of demolition waste necessary for the preparation of said
- 43 parcels for redevelopment.] Said parcels of land are identified as Lot 37
- 44 (approximately . 52 acre) and Lot 41 (approximately . 34 acre) in Block
- 45 29-17 on city of Middletown Tax Assessor's Map 27. The fair market

46 value of said parcels shall be determined by the average of the 47 appraisals of two independent appraisers who shall be selected by 48 such commissioner. [The reasonable cost of such demolition and 49 disposal shall be determined through a competitive contractor 50 selection process conducted by the city.] The net revenues from the 51 sale of said parcels shall be deposited in the donation fund of The 52 Connecticut Juvenile Training School in accordance with the 53 provisions of section 17a-27 of the general statutes.

- Sec. 4. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall lease to the town of Ridgefield a parcel of land located in the town of Ridgefield. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 2.146 acres and is identified as 424 Ethan Allen Highway. The lease shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.
- 60 (b) The town of Ridgefield shall use said parcel of land for 61 recreational purposes. If the town of Ridgefield:
- (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes; or
  - (2) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
- (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the lease of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Environmental Protection. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a lease is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.
- Sec. 5. Section 22 of public act 98-225, as amended by section 107 of public act 98-1 of the June special session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 75 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes to the

76 contrary, the Commissioner of Public Works shall convey to the town

- of Greenwich, subject to the approval of the State Properties Review
- 78 Board and at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making such
- 79 conveyance, a parcel of land located at the junction of Route U.S. 1,
- 80 Boston Post Road and Sound Beach Avenue in the town of Greenwich,
- 81 having an area of approximately .49 acre and bounded and described
- 82 as follows:
- 83 NORTHERLY: By the Junction of Route U.S. 1, the Boston Post Road
- 84 and Sound Beach Avenue;
- 85 EASTERLY: By Sound Beach Avenue;
- 86 SOUTHERLY: By Old Greenwich Lane and land now or formerly of
- 87 Harold C. and William M. Rich, each in part;
- 88 WESTERLY: By Route U.S. 1, Boston Post Road;
- together with buildings thereon, and the same being a portion of the
- 90 premises contained in an Executrix Deed, dated October 18, 1916, and
- 91 recorded in the Greenwich Land Records in Volume 159 at Page 148.
- 92 (b) The town of Greenwich shall use said parcel of land for [open
- 93 space] <u>municipal</u> purposes. If the town of Greenwich:
- 94 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;
- 95 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or
- 96 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- 97 the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
- 98 (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of
- 99 the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it
- 100 receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Public Works.
- 101 The land shall remain under the care and control of said department
- until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this
- 103 section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or
- 104 instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed

or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of subsection (b) of this section, and the Commissioner of Public Works shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

- 109 Sec. 6. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of 110 the general statutes, the state Military Department shall convey to the 111 town of East Lyme a parcel of land located in the town of East Lyme, at 112 a cost equal to the administrative costs of making such conveyance. 113 Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 0.9 acre and is 114 identified as the southern portion of Lot 216 on town of East Lyme Tax 115 Assessor's Map 17.3 below the extension of the southern property line 116 of Lot 55 on town of East Lyme Tax Assessor's Map 17.5. The 117 remaining land of Lot 216 on town of East Lyme Tax Assessor's Map 118 17.5 shall remain the property of the state of Connecticut. The 119 conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties 120 Review Board.
- 121 (b) The town of East Lyme shall use said parcel of land for 122 municipal purposes. If the town of East Lyme:
- 123 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;
- 124 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or
- 125 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
- (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the state Military Department.
- The land shall remain under the care and control of the state until a
- conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument
- 133 necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed or
- instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of
- subsection (b) of this section. The state Military Department shall have
- the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

137 Sec. 7. Section 16 of special act 07-11 is amended to read as follows 138 (*Effective from passage*):

- 139 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the 140 Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall convey to the town of 141 Griswold a parcel of land located in the town of Griswold, at a cost 142 equal to the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said 143 parcel of land has an area of approximately 5.5 acres and is identified 144 on a map entitled "Plan Showing Property of Elizabeth W. Snyder 145 prepared for the Department of Environmental Protection, State of 146 Connecticut, Sheldon Road and Connecticut Route 165, Griswold Connecticut, Scale 1" = 40', May 2001". The parties shall determine the 147 148 precise location of such acreage. The conveyance shall be subject to the 149 approval of the State Properties Review Board.
- 150 (b) The town of Griswold shall use said parcel of land for 151 recreational purposes. If the town of Griswold:
- 152 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;
- 153 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or
- 154 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel, [; or
- 155 (4) Does not develop recreational fields on said parcel within five 156 years of such conveyance,]
- the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
- 158 (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of 159 the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it 160 receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Environmental 161 Protection. The land shall remain under the care and control of said 162 department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the 163 provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver 164 any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, 165 which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the 166 purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of 167 Environmental Protection shall have the sole responsibility for all other 168 incidents of such conveyance.

169 Sec. 8. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of 170 the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey 171 to the town of South Windsor a parcel of land located in the town of 172 South Windsor, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making 173 such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 4.84 174 acres and is identified as that parcel of land that is the subject of an 175 appraisal conducted by TW Henry Real Estate Appraisals, LLC., dated 176 March 28, 2005. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the 177 State Properties Review Board.

- (b) The town of South Windsor shall use said parcel of land for economic development purposes. If the town of South Windsor:
- 180 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;
- 181 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel, except for a sale of said land for economic development purposes; or
  - (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel, except for a lease for economic development purposes,
- the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut. Any funds received by the town of South Windsor from a sale or lease of said parcel for economic purposes shall be transferred to the state for deposit in the General Fund.
  - (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.
- Sec. 9. Section 7 of special act 08-8 is amended to read as follows

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202 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the 203 Commissioner of Transportation shall enter into an agreement with the 204 city of Norwalk for the conveyance of a parcel of land from the city of 205 Norwalk to the state at no cost to the state. The parcel of land to be 206 conveyed by the city of Norwalk is identified as "AREA TO BE 207 CONVEYED BY THE CITY OF NORWALK TO THE STATE OF 208 CONNECTICUT" on a map entitled "Compilation Survey For Crescent 209 Street Road Abandonment Purposes Prepared For 95/7 Ventures LLC 210 and the City of Norwalk and the State of Connecticut, Reed Putnam 211 Project, Norwalk, Connecticut, Scale 1"=40', January 28, 2008, William 212 W. Seymour & Associates, P.C." Said parcel has an area of 213 approximately .176 acre. The state shall pay no administrative costs 214 incurred by the city of Norwalk in the conveyance of said parcel of 215 land. The Commissioner of Transportation shall prepare any survey of 216 said parcel of land for purposes of said conveyance. Said conveyance 217 shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

- (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The [State Treasurer] city of Norwalk shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.
- 225 Sec. 10. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of 226 the general statutes, the state Military Department shall convey to the 227 town of Putnam a parcel of land located in the town of Putnam, at a 228 cost equal to the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said 229 parcel of land has an area of approximately 3.56 acres and is identified 230 as the National Guard Armory Building located at 15 Keech Street. The 231 conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties 232 Review Board.

(b) The town of Putnam shall use said parcel of land for recreational and municipal purposes. If the town of Putnam:

- 235 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;
- 236 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or
- 237 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- 238 the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
  - (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the state Military Department. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The state Military Department shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.
  - Sec. 11. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall enter into an agreement with the town of Westbrook for the exchange of two parcels of land located in the town of Westbrook, simultaneously and each in consideration of the other. The parcel of land to be conveyed by the Commissioner of Transportation in said exchange is identified as the property located on Route 145 that was formerly used by said department as a maintenance facility and has an area of approximately 3.375 acres. The parcel of land to be conveyed by the town of Westbrook in said exchange is identified as the property used by said town on March 15, 2005, as a maintenance facility and having an area of approximately 2.087 acres. The town of Westbrook shall pay the administrative costs incurred by the state in the exchange of said parcels of land. The Commissioner of Transportation shall pay the costs of any survey of either of said parcels of land that is prepared for the purposes of said exchange. Said exchange shall be subject to the

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(b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the exchange of said parcels of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The state land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for the conveyance of state land under this section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

Sec. 12. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any property previously taken for the purpose of the expansion of Route 6 shall be sold for fair market value to any interested former owner of said property, at fair market value, not later than one year after the effective date of this section.

Sec. 13. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, all islands within the Connecticut River north of the boundary between East Windsor and South Windsor and south of the island known as King's Island p/k/a Terry's Island p/k/a Great Island are set aside under the exclusive custody and control of the Department of Environmental Protection. Such islands or such portions thereof as are recorded in private ownership shall not be included under the custody and control of said department, but such custody and control shall extend to all such islands or portions thereof as are now owned or as may be hereafter acquired by the state.

Sec. 14. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall convey to Loretta M. Budkofsky, at a cost of eight hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$825.00), land that was mistakenly acquired by the state of Connecticut from Aspinook, LLC, and that constitutes a portion of the land described in a Warranty Deed dated May 1, 2003, recorded in Volume 143 at Page 184 of the Land Records of the Town

297 of Windham. The specific property to be conveyed by the

- 298 Commissioner of Environmental Protection is more particularly
- 299 described as follows:

## 300 "PARCEL #50

- 301 Beginning at a point in the southerly line of land now or formerly of 302 Providence & Worcester Railroad marking the northeasterly corner of 303 the herein described Lot #50, said point being located 167.66 feet 304 southerly of the southeasterly corner of Lot #3 as shown on the 305 aforementioned plan, thence S 61° 38′ 35″ W 498.57 feet to a point in the 306 center of the Quinebaug River, the last course being bounded northerly 307 by land now or formerly of said Providence & Worcester Railroad; 308 thence S 16° 03′ 59″ E 292.08 feet along the centerline of the Quinebaug 309 River to a point; thence S 87° 44′ 29" E 174.44 feet to a ¾" rebar at the 310 easterly edge of the Quinebaug River, the last two courses being 311 bounded westerly and southerly by land now or formerly of Bernice 312 Loser; thence N 27° 30′ 31″ E 159.30 feet to an Aspinook Company 313 monument; thence N 27° 30′ 31″ E 242.64 feet to an Aspinook Company 314 monument; thence N 00° 41′ 59″ W 167.86 feet to the point of 315 beginning, the last three courses being bounded southeasterly and 316 easterly by land now or formerly of Arthur F. Coughlin, Raymond M. 317 Coughlin & Robert S. Coughlin."
- The above described parcel comprises one of the two parcels comprising the Fifth Tract of land acquired by Aspinook, LLC from Yaworski, Inc. by Quit Claim Deed dated August 29, 1996, and recorded in Vol. 104, Page 526 of the town of Canterbury Land Records.
- Said Property consists of approximately 3.06 acres of land as shown on a map entitled "Property Survey Prepared for CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STATE OF CONNECTICUT Property of ASPINOOK, LLC, Butts Bridge Road, Canterbury, Connecticut, Scale 1" = 80', Date 6/17/2002, KWP Associates, Surveying Engineering Site Planning", which map is on file

in the Canterbury Office of the Town Clerk.

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(b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed deed from the Department of Environmental Protection. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions on this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section. The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall have the responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

Sec. 15. (NEW) (Effective upon passage) The state of Connecticut, acting through the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, is authorized to grant a lease or other appropriate authorization over any submerged lands held in public trust by the state underlying or associated with any offshore lighthouse located within the waters of the state. Such lease or other authorization shall constitute a right of occupancy so as to facilitate the preservation of such lighthouse pursuant to the federal National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000, 16 USC 470w-7. If any such lighthouse is to be conveyed to an eligible entity pursuant to section 308 of the federal National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000, 16 USC 470w-7, such lease shall be without monetary consideration for a term of no more than twenty years, subject to subsequent renewals, and shall contain appropriate conditions to ensure consistency with the goals and policies of section 22a-92 of the general statutes and with other interests of the state, including, but not limited to, reasonable public access, preservation of historic structures and education of the public regarding such structures. If any such lighthouse is to be sold pursuant to section 309 of the federal National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000, 16 USC 470w-8, such lease or authorization shall be for consideration as determined by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, for a term of no more than ten years, subject to subsequent renewals, and shall contain appropriate conditions to ensure consistency with the goals and policies of section 22a-92 of the general statutes and with

other interests of the state, including, but not limited to, reasonable public access, preservation of historic structures and education of the public regarding such structures.

- Sec. 16. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Department of Public Works is authorized to acquire title from the city of Torrington, for no consideration, of a portion of the city street known as Clark Street, and that is further described as being that portion bounded on the north and south sides by state owned land, Field Street on the west and terminating at the intersection of Clark Street and Clinton Street.
- (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the instrument of transfer granted pursuant to this section not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Public Works. The Department of Public Works shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of any easement under this section.
- 379 Sec. 17. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of 380 the general statutes, the Department of Public Works, on behalf of the 381 Board of Trustees of the Community Technical Colleges, in furtherance 382 of the completion of State Project: BI-CTC-401 and satisfying the 383 requirements of the State Traffic Commission, Certificate 1735, at 384 Three Rivers Community College, shall grant an easement in favor of 385 the city of Norwich over a portion of said college campus along New 386 London Turnpike for the purpose of providing sidewalks for the 387 general public and snow shelf area.
  - (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the easement granted pursuant to this section not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Public Works. The Commissioner of Public Works shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of any easement under this section.
- 394 Sec. 18. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of

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the general statutes, the Department of Public Works, on behalf of the Department of Developmental Services, shall transfer and convey to the Town of Enfield all its right and title to that certain easement dated December 28, 1984, and recorded April 3, 1984, in Volume 408 at Page 687 of the Enfield Land Records.

(b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the easement granted pursuant to this section not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Public Works. The Town of Enfield shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of any easement under this section.

Sec. 19. Section 13a-85 of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective from passage*)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:	
from passage	SA 07-11, Sec. 28
from passage	New section
from passage	PA 99-26, Sec. 30(a)
from passage	New section
from passage	PA 98-225, Sec. 22
from passage	New section
from passage	SA 07-11, Sec. 16
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